

THE CUBAN MINORITY IS STILL STANDING OUT

For a Practical Nullification of the Reciprocity Treaty

Assurance Has Been Proposed That the Treaty Will Be Operative at the Time Desired but the Minority Persists in the Amendment Making That Understanding a Part of the Treaty in Which Case the Cuban Minister at Washington Gives Warning That There Will Be No Treaty.

Havana, March 27.—Advises have been received here from the Cuban minister at Washington, Senor Quesada, to the effect that the condition which the majority of the Cuban senate committee recommends attaching to the reciprocity treaty (that its ratification by the United States congress must be completed before December 1) will certainly nullify the treaty.

President Palma had a two hours' conference at the palace today with the entire foreign relations committee of the Cuban senate, at which every endeavor was made to induce the committee to eliminate the condition regarding the limit of time in which the reciprocity treaty is to become effective. The minority, however, persisted in its opposition.

Of the three majority senators, Senor Capote and Dolz appeared willing to ratify the treaty without the time limit condition, provided Senor Bustamante, the chairman, would consent. But the latter was obdurate. President Palma and Senor Zalda, secretary of foreign affairs, offered to inform the United States government that the treaty would be ratified only on the understanding that it would be operative by the date desired, but Bustamante insisted that it should be made a legal condition of acceptance.

THREE REPORTS ON TREATY.
Havana, March 27.—Three separate reports on the reciprocity treaty with the United States were presented to the senate this afternoon by the foreign relations committee. One signed by the chairman, Senor Bustamante, the president of the senate, Senor Capote, and by Senor Dolz, recommended the approval of all the amendments adopted by the United States senate.

Senator Zayas presented a report against the ratification on account of the action of the United States senate in confining the 20 per cent reduction of the duty of sugar to the basis of the tariff law of 1897. Senator Tamayo submitted the third and adverse report upon all the amendments. Both the minority reports were rejected by the senate.

The majority will be discussed tomorrow, and it is expected that it will be approved by a small majority. Its provision requiring the adoption of the treaty by the United States congress before December 1, however, is generally believed to be fatal to the treaty since the acceptance by the United States senate of this provision is impossible. It is barely possible that the trio of senators may make an amended report tomorrow.

FOREIGN FORCES AT WORK. Washington, March 27.—Secretary Hay has sent a warning to Cuba that the slightest amendment of the Cuban treaty by the Cuban congress, even that which proposes to make its ratification conditional on the treaty going into effect during the current calendar year, certainly would defeat the convention itself, since any amendment must be submitted to the United States senate and before that can be done the date fixed for the final exchange of ratifications, March 31, will have been passed.

Mr. Soule, the United States minister at Havana, has transmitted this note to the Cuban foreign minister, and he is hopeful that it will be sufficient to curb the desire to mend the treaty. It is fully realized here that foreign

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GERMAN EMPRESS

Thrown from a Horse and Painfully Injured.

Berlin, March 27.—While the German empress was galloping through the Grunewald, a forest near Charlottenburg this afternoon, her horse, startled by a doe that ran across the path, shied and threw her off. The empress broke the fall with her left arm, and one of the bones snapped just above the wrist. The emperor, Prince Adolph, General Von Loewenfeld, General Van Wedel, and a number of following adjutants and aides in the camp, quickly gathered around her. The empress was the first to lift her from the ground. She screamed with pain at the first shock, but after that showed much fortitude.

Dr. Leuthold, the emperor's physician, arrived an hour and a half after the accident. He was followed by Major Iberg, the emperor's surgeon, and Dr. Zunker, the special physician of the empress. The fractured arm was dressed and bandaged at the living lodge and her majesty was then driven in a carriage slowly back to Berlin. The empress sat in the carriage with her arm in a sling under her jacket, the emperor riding beside her on horseback. His majesty's close attendance caused some wonder, as the party passed through Unter Den Linden. It was an hour later before extra editions explained the reason. No bulletin has been issued by the doctors, who affirm that the injury is a case of simple fracture.

SUSPECTED MURDERERS.

Of Two Policemen at Pueblo Not Long Ago.

Denver, Colo., March 27.—Ross H. Brewer and Raleigh Davis were arrested at Boulder today by officers from Denver and Pueblo on the charge of being the men who killed two men while trying to hold up a restaurant in Pueblo some time ago.

The men are said to have served time in the state reformatory and the officers claim that their photographs have been identified by persons who were in the restaurant at the time of the shooting.

WILL FIGHT REDUCTION.

Vancouver, B. C., March 27.—A special from Fernie, B. C., says the coal creek miners have determined to fight the reduction of five cents a ton and by a vote of 155 to 35 they decided to stay out.

FALLING OF THE DROP FOR A. S. BELDING

Who Murdered His Wife and Mother-in-Law.

Portland, Ore., March 27.—A. L. Belding was hanged in the county jail yard this morning. The execution was without incident, and he died in seventeen minutes after the trap fell. Hereafter all executions will take place at the state penitentiary, the last legislature having passed a law to that effect.

Belding murdered his wife, his mother-in-law, Mrs. Lemuel McCroskey, and Frank Woodward, otherwise known as "Gyp," on the evening of July 12th, the killing being due to the jealousy of Belding toward Woodward, whose intentions toward Belding he resented. Belding also shot his father-in-law, Lemuel McCroskey, but failed to kill him. After he had, as he supposed, succeeded in dispatching the whole household, the murderer coolly walked to a near-by saloon, invited a man to have a drink, and looked for an officer. Belding never attempted to deny the killing.

WON A BEAU

Plumpled Up and Was Advanced \$10 Per Month.

Not every one has the sound, sturdy strength of character to tell the honest truth about themselves. The following was written by a lady who calls herself an "old maid" and the way coffee treated her is certainly interesting.

She says "I was a coffee drinker and gradually became more and more irritable and nervous in the school room. My complexion was sallow and sickly, and as I look back now I know I developed into a very unpopular and disagreeable person. In fact I had little prospect of keeping my position last year. Not only that but I failed to pass the required examinations. This latter fact aroused me to the knowledge that coffee was deadening my brain and slowly destroying memory and reason.

My sister had quit the use of coffee in her family and adopted Postum, and had been strongly urging that I do likewise. One day I started in, that was a red letter day for me. I began sleeping sound at night instead of lying awake half the time, and the change in my feelings from nervousness and irritability to comfort, peace and content cannot be told in words.

I had been a trembling, broken-down, nervous, and I felt an ugly, old maid, but after my restful sleep, increased strength of brain and body instead of weakness and illness, I slowly changed in my whole appearance. Began to plump up, my complexion changed from a sallow, muddy looking skin to a fresh pink and white, as nice as when I was 18.

I took another examination and passed it easily. My high grades together with the improved work in the school and my changed character caused the Trustees to raise my salary ten dollars a month, and I felt like a new creature. Whether it was an increased reputation for good sense, or for some other reason, one of the best citizens of the town, a widower, has made a little contract with me that will be carried out some of these days. I shan't tell when.

Don't you think I ought to say good things about Postum, and do you think I will ever go back to coffee drinking? Name of this lady will be given on application to Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich.

INDICTMENTS AGAINST FLOWER

Other Charges Against the
Arizona Promoter

He Secures One Advantage a Reduction of His Bail From \$50,000 to \$5,000—A Promise to Reimburse One of His Victims.

New York, March 27.—Four additional indictments charging Dr. Richard C. Flower with larceny were returned by the grand jury today. An indictment superseding the one already found against Dr. Flower on complaint of Mrs. Belle Gray Taylor was also handed down. The four additional indictments were found on the complaints of Herman H. Buttrick, who alleges that Flower defrauded him of \$950; A. Solmans, president of the South Norwalk (Conn.) National bank, who claims that he was defrauded of \$1,500; S. W. Moolley, who places his loss at \$800, and H. B. Woodruff, who says he was defrauded of \$420.

When the hearing of the charge of taking \$500 from Mrs. Taylor was resumed, counsel for Dr. Flower again objected to the bail of \$50,000 in which Flower was held. Assistant District Attorney Garvan replied that the Arizona-Eastern Montana company has urged many people to invest in the mines, that there were charges involving more than \$1,000,000, and that Dr. Flower was very wealthy. Mr. Garvan added that he had received a letter from the defendant's attorney offering to pay Mrs. Taylor her claim if she would stop the criminal prosecution. Counsel for Flower denied that there was such a letter. Justice Greenbaum ordered Dr. Flower's bail reduced to \$5,000.

Later \$15,000 was added to Flower's bond to cover the four new indictments. Mrs. Cornelia A. Starrs offered security to cover the whole amount of bail, but the assistant district attorney declined to accept it until he had had forty-eight hours to investigate.

MR. JEROME'S FORGES INVADE A POOL ROOM

A Sensational Raid by a Half Dozen Detectives.

New York, March 27.—In effecting an entrance into an alleged pool room in the basement of a six-story building on West Third street today, two detectives were forced to chop a hole through the floor in the rear room of a saloon and drop into the room below where four other detectives were holding the men inside at bay with their revolvers. William Daly, said to be the proprietor, and other leaders were arrested.

The raid was a sensational one, according to the story told to the police, the place was cunningly fortified and guarded. An elaborate system of signals had to be given by several sentries before a would-be better could gain entrance to the room. Pocket telephones, buzzers, secret slides and "muzz" flaps in the story. When the visitor finally satisfied the sentry that he was all right he was passed along to the room the door of which was immediately bolted. There were five of these rooms leading into the alleged pool room and in some of the enclosed there were one or four doors built to bewilder an invading party.

Detective Sargeants Kerr and Fogarty disguised as truck drivers, had frequently visited the place, where they claim to have played bets on the races at Benning's. They were there today when Detective Sargeants Valley and Collins dropped through the ceiling.

Valley and Collins, dressed in laborers' entered the cafe, which is an elaborately decorated one. Valley had a crowbar and a sledge hammer, and Collins was equipped with two axes and a sledge hammer. Each carried a "Jimmy" saw and a crowbar. The rear room. There they arrested the outer sentries and while one detective watched the prisoners the other battered down a door. As soon as the blows were heard in the inner room, Kerr and Fogarty drew their revolvers, and Collins dropped through the ceiling.

Meanwhile Valley, after battering down one door, came to a second. This, though built of oak, soon gave way, and the detectives found themselves in a room which had three doors. Cutting through one of these doors, the detectives and their prisoners entered another room, which also had three doors. They were in the "maze." It was then that the detectives decided to go up stairs to the rear room of the saloon, where Valley cut through the door. Several policemen which had been attracted to the place by this time watched the prisoners, while Valley and Collins and uniformed policemen dropped on the alleged pool room. Those arrested, beside the alleged proprietors, were his alleged managers. The others found in the place were allowed to go.

THE SAN DOMINGO WAR.
is Confined to the Capital of the Island.
New York, March 27.—The representative of the republic of San Domingo in this city today received from General Caceres, governor of Santiago de Los Caballeros, the following telegram: "Revolution is limited to the capital. The south and east of the island are with the government. President Vasquez with forces is due in the capital now. The northern part of the island is also with the government."

NICARAGUAN SITUATION.

May Be More Serious Than Appears from Censored News.

Panama, March 27.—The revolutionists of Nicaragua have captured some of the steamers plying on La Nicaragua and have left the department of Chontales, which has prevented President Zelaya's forces from attacking them.

The official advices from Managua, however, say the rising has been suppressed. On the other hand there are reports of another revolutionary movement headed by another Central American government. If this is the case the outlook is more serious than President Zelaya is willing to admit. A strict censorship is maintained over dispatches and all the news is only official news that leaves Nicaragua. Consequently the real situation in that country is not known.

HELLO GIRLS.

The New Union Already Having an Industrial Dispute.

Butte, Mont., March 27.—The newly organized Bell Telephone Girls' union is in trouble with the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company over the alleged importation of girls to supplant the union operators.

A committee of the union was in conference with President Dan McDonald of the American Labor federation today. The company disclaims any intention of discriminating against union employees.

A DEAD CUSTODIAN.

Denver, Colo., March 27.—A special to the Republican from Santa Fe, N. M., says that Hess Durand, for many years custodian of St. Michael's church and college at that place, said to be the oldest church in America, died today. Durand was 82 years old and was a native of Switzerland. He came to Santa Fe in 1869, and was well known to tourists.

TEXAS FIRES.

Tyler, Tex., March 27.—Fire today destroyed a row of two story brick buildings, houses and most of the contents. Loss, \$200,000.

Fairfield, Tex., March 27.—Fire last night destroyed fourteen business houses with most of the contents. Loss, \$60,000.

BURNED TO DEATH IN RAILROAD WRECK

Horrible Disaster on the S. P. Near San Antonio.

San Antonio, Tex., March 27.—Three passengers were burned to death, and nineteen persons were injured in a rear end collision at La Costa station, twenty miles west of here on the Southern Pacific railroad at 10 o'clock last night. The dead: GUADALUPE CANTE, Monterey, Mex.

ANTONIO ARIZABA, Sabinas, Mex. MANUEL TREVIÑO, Santos, Sabinas, Mex. The injured are: Nabor Flores, Monterey; P. V. Morrow, traveling passenger agent L. & N. railroad, San Antonio; two ribs broken; Mrs. J. W. Foster, Houston, Tex., hip dislocated; Robert Harnahan, brakeman, San Antonio, arm broken; Miss A. Kistler, Great Bend, Pa.; W. M. Dobrowski, San Antonio; W. E. Hess, U. S. A. hospital corps, Washington; John Quinn, engineer, bruised and crushed; J. L. Flowers, New York, back wrenched; Isaac T. Mann, Brownell, W. Va., bruised; R. Honeyman, fireman, shoulder dislocated; Margaret Fisher, New Orleans, bruised; Mrs. James Fisher, New Orleans, bruised about head; H. Flores, Gobias, Mexico, bruised; Mrs. H. May, Manchester, Mich., scalped; Thomas Harper, Chicago, head hurt, leg bruised; F. M. Collins, St. Paul, head hurt; Michael Creston, Fortworth, arms broken.

The limited crashed into the Eagle Pass express which was running as the first section of the former train. The military commander of the department of state of Nuevo Leon, Mex. was splintered and three kinsmen of the general were burned to death before they could be extricated from the burning cars which were ignited by escaping oil from the tender of the limited engine. General Trevino is a son-in-law of the late General Ord, U. S. A., and was en route to San Antonio with a sick son.

CHOLERA AT DAMASCUS.

Jerusalem, March 27.—Cholera has reappeared at Damascus. The crown prince of Germany, Frederick William, and his brother, Prince Eitel, have abandoned their proposed visit to the Holy Land.

WEATHER TODAY.

Washington, March 27.—Forecast for Wyoming—Fair and warmer Saturday; Sunday fair. New Mexico—Fair Saturday and Sunday. Arizona—Fair Saturday; Sunday showers.

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UNEXPECTED DISASTER IN FLOOD SITUATION

Mississippi Pouring Itself Through a New Crevasse

Upon a Wide Area of the Richest Land in Louisiana—A Suspicion That the Levee Was Cut to Relieve the Strain Upon the Levees of the East Bank—A Probability That Blood Will Flow if the Perpetrators Are Caught—Effort Being Made to Repair the Damage. The Stage at New Orleans.

New Orleans, March 27.—Interest in the flood situation here today centered in the break at Hymelia, near Lucy, La., forty miles above the city, and the disastrous crevasse reported south of Greenville. The cotton men felt especially concerned with respect to the latter and the announcement in private messages that one hundred acres of the richest delta land probably would be under water created a feeling of depression. While this break doubtless will cause a fall in the river in the vicinity of Greenville and for a considerable distance south, the water which goes through must inevitably return to the Mississippi through the Yazoo, thus prolonging the period of high water south of that point.

The day's developments at Hymelia gave much encouragement. Under experienced crevasse fighters 700 laborers were put to work early in the forenoon, and tonight's advices were to the effect that if the work is not interrupted the break will be closed by Monday. The width of the crevasse is between 150 and 200 feet. A large area is already submerged, but if the efforts of the forces at work are successful the water will quickly drain off. The crevasse is in the heart of one of the richest sugar districts of Louisiana. If it should get beyond control many valuable plantations will be covered with water in a few days. The Trans-Pacific and Southern Pacific roads have not thus far been affected, but trouble is likely to occur if the crevasse is not closed. It is expected that through traffic over the Mississippi Valley road will be suspended as a result of the disaster.

The belief that the high water levee was cut in order to relieve other situations is strong, and any attempt to repeat the action is likely to be followed by bloodshed if the perpetrators are caught. The river has fallen considerably in the immediate vicinity of Hymelia and the strain has been materially lessened on the levees on the east bank of the river. The effect here is only slightly appreciable. At one time today the gauge marked as high as 29.7, but the river has gone back to 29.2, a net decline of 0.5 from yesterday. The weather bureau expects the rise to be resumed if work at Hymelia is successful.

A BREAK ON THE EAST.
The Worst in the History of the Levee System.
Greenville, Miss., March 27.—A volume of water sixteen feet deep and over 6,000 feet in length is pouring steadily through a crevasse in the levee five miles south of here and flooding thousands of acres of the finest farming land in the Mississippi Valley. The break in the levee occurred at 11 o'clock this morning, and the roar of the rushing waters can easily be heard in Greenville. Only 200 feet of the embankment gave way at first, and a mighty effort was made by hundreds of laborers in charge of the government engineer to check the flood by cribbing and sacking, but it was soon apparent that it was beyond human power to successfully combat the resistless fury of the current.

Major John M. Sears, who has charge temporarily of the government office here, stated tonight that the break is unquestionably the worst in the history of the levee system. He says the entire delta south as far as Vicksburg will be inundated, and the fine farming lands in Washington, Bolivar and Sharkey counties will be under water for more than two weeks.

This is the first break to be reported on the Mississippi side since the present rise began. Major Sears says a desperate struggle is being made to prevent the further widening of the break by retreating the ends of the levee and strengthening them with sand sacks. It is feared that this will not be accomplished as the breach is widening. Reports from the interior are very meagre, but it is believed the people were fully prepared for a break, and the loss of life, if any, will be reduced to a minimum, though the loss of stock may be quite heavy. The damage to plantations and the interference with planting cannot be estimated.

The situation at midnight grows worse for Greenville. Work on the projecting levee through Main street has been abandoned and water has reached Washington avenue, the highest point in the city. Appeals for help have been coming in all night from the Tuxedo and racetrack additions and relief boats are being sent to their relief. The news comes from these additions that people were seen clinging to the roofs of houses and rafts to escape the rising waters.

Many lives have been reported lost. One woman and five children perished in one house, but tomorrow will tell the fate of many poor unfortunates. The southern part of the city is entirely under water.

CHESS BY CABLE.

The Fifth Annual International Game Begun.

Boston, March 27.—The gymnasium of the Boston Athletic association today was alive with club members, Harvard men and their friends who came to witness the play in the fifth annual international cable chess match between a team of six picked from the chess clubs of Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton universities and a team drawn from Cambridge and Oxford. The play in the contest, which is to last for two months, was begun after the exchange of courtesies.

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